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H. CON. RES. 148

Relating to the Republic of China on Taiwan's participation in the United Nations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 21, 1993

Mr. Solomon submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Relating to the Republic of China on Taiwan's participation in the United Nations.

Whereas China has been a divided nation since 1949, and the Government of the Republic of China on Taiwan (ROC) and the People's Republic of China on the Chinese mainland have since exercised exclusive jurisdiction over separate parts of China;

Whereas United Nations General Assembly Resolution 2758 (1971) does not constitute a complete solution to the issue of China's seat in the United Nations which resulted from the division of China;

Whereas the Government of the ROC acknowledges that two equal and distinct political entities exist within the divided China;

- Whereas the Republic of China on Taiwan is currently the fourteenth largest trading nation in the world; its gross national product is the world's twentieth largest; its annual per capita income exceeds US\$10,000; its foreign exchange reserves exceed US\$80,000,000,000; and it has become the world's seventh largest outbound investor;
- Whereas the twenty-one million people on Taiwan enjoy a democratic form of government, and the ROC Government's policies conform to those of other democratic nations:
- Whereas the ROC has joined other nations in responding to international disasters and crises; has undertaken programs of assistance for less-developed nations; and has in other ways accepted regional and global responsibilities;
- Whereas the ROC has joined several important multilateral organizations in recent years, including Asia/Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and the Asian Development Bank, and its admission into these organizations has been supported by the United States;
- Whereas a consensus has emerged in the Republic of China on Taiwan to participate in the United Nations, and the Government of the ROC has launched a campaign to pursue a seat in the United Nations without prejudice to the current position of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations; and
- Whereas ROC membership in the United Nations is in conformity with the United Nations principle of universality and will contribute to the peace and stability of the Pacific region, and therefore to the interests of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
- 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that the
- 3 Republic of China on Taiwan deserves full participation,

 $4\,\,$ including a seat, in the United Nations.

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